



**Bettina Belitz**

## The Night Lies Ahead

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### Story

#### A LOVE STORY THAT GETS UNDER THE SKIN

*'I love you', I think, so honestly and clearly that I don't even react. It's as if I was unable to do anything to stop it.*

*I didn't look for it, but it's there. Now, these words are lighting up my head, my heart and my stomach again, plainly and unmistakably.*

*I love you.*

Ever since she first cast eyes on him, nothing has been the same. Now that she's seen him, she has to go back there every Friday. To the river, when it's quiet and lonely there. There, she hopes, she will meet him again.

Nobody has ever fascinated Ronia, a 21-year-old student, the way Jan has, that rebellious boy who thinks nothing of rules and conventions. Ronia and Jan come from completely different worlds and yet feel magically drawn to each other. However, Ronia has been bitterly disappointed in the past and wants to do everything differently this time: no day-dreams, no promises, no declarations of love. She wants to stay in control, this time. Thus begins a highly volatile, enchanting and thrilling game...

Bettina Belitz has already enchanted readers of the “Splintered Heart”-Trilogy with her powerful writing and profound storylines. Now, she has delivered a new, enticing love story, which will capture its readers and make them oblivious to their surroundings. “The Night Lies Ahead” is has a very special atmosphere and is deeply moving; it’s sure to delight.

## Bettina Belitz

Bettina Belitz was born in Heidelberg in 1973, and very soon fell under the spell of the book shelves. It wasn’t long before reading wasn’t enough – no, she had to scribble her own stories down, too. After university, Bettina Belitz worked as a journalist until she was able to devote herself to her youthful enthusiasms. Nowadays, she lives surrounded by horses, sheep, cats and chickens in a village of 400 inhabitants in Westerwald, where she is inspired by nature and weather to write her novels.

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